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2025 HARC OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: JOE LAULETTA, W6JFL -- V-PRES: AL TABOR N9MAF

TREASURER: KEN FRANKLIN, KEØKCQ SECRETARY: JOSEPH CHASE, KDØHDL TRUSTEE: DON VARY, KDØHHN EDITOR: DON VARY, KDØHHN

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: 2025

February 12, 2025

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

We are now meeting at the Marion County Ambulance District Administrative Offices at 142 Jaycee Drive. To get to the facility, go South on McMasters Ave (RT61) to the intersection of Clinic Rd (immediate right past Wendy's). Turn Right onto Clinic Rd and the first right is Communication Drive. Turn onto Communication Drive and continue straight on Communication which then turns into Jaycee Dr. The Admin center is on the right at the top of the hill.

MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST - 2025

FEB 3 DON KDØHHN FEB 10 JODY KEØOAA FEB 17 AL N9MAF FEB 24 ALLAN K9AJC

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Information about our Monday night nets can be found on the club website, www.w0kem.com and click on FM Repeaters.

SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2025

DATES FOR 2025 April 9, 2025 July 9, 2025 October 8, 2025

Registration is requested at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Dave Scranton, W9WE, 210-325-7923, or w9we.lee@gmail.com. If enough VE's are present at the meeting night, any walk ins will be able to test that evening.

The 2025 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regularly scheduled HARC meeting.

HARC CLUB DUES:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!

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Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes

Opening

Club president Joe, W6JFL, called the January 2025 Hannibal Amateur Radio Club meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Twenty-two members, four guests, and three examinees were present.

Proposals for membership:

Five members received proposals for membership.

<u>Jeremy Ferris</u>, born and raised in Hannibal, has ministered for the MCSO and prisons throughout Missouri. His call is KF0OOF.

Michelle & Robert Nunemacher from Palmyra. Robert is licensed as KF0IHM, and Michelle wants to obtain her license. Their grandson, Hans, who is not licensed but has also expressed interest in acquiring his license, was with them during the meeting. Randy Closs, KF0SWQ, from Hannibal, has been operating with GMRS as well as having his ham license. His call is KF0SWQ.

The motion to accept was made by Dave, KB0RZN, 2nd by Shawn, KD9VUW, and was carried by the members.

<u>Changes/Corrections to Previous Month's Minutes:</u>

Changes to previous minutes: NONE

Motioned to accept the minutes made by Allan, K9AJC, and 2nd by Kenny, KE0KCQ. Motion carried by members.

Treasurer's Report:

Kenny, KE0KCQ, presented the monthly financial report. As of January 8, 2025, the beginning balance was \$4,902.29, Expenses were \$62.94, and Deposits were \$21. The CD balance had a beginning balance of \$1,385.57, and no interest was paid during this period, bringing the total CD balance to \$1,385.57. Petty cash was also unchanged at \$40, bringing the total club balance to \$4,860.35 for January 2025.

Motion to accept by Allan, K9AJC, 2nd by Shawn, KD9VUW. Motion carried by members.

Repeaters:

Al, N9MAF, reports that both repeaters are functioning as they should.

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Committee Reports:

There was no status on laptops as of the January 2025 meeting. Martin, KD0TMJ, is still investigating where to purchase within the budgeted amount.

QSL cards are quoted at \$35 for a 100-count with a matte finish.

- Motion to authorize the purchase of 200 new QSL cards for the club made by Don, KD0HHN, 2nd by Allan, K9AJC, motion carried

Old/Unfinished Business:

<u>**DUES**</u> are due; do not forget to pay your dues by the <u>March 2025 meeting</u>. We are also still looking for training officer(s) for monthly meetings. See the November 2024 entry for more information.

Joe, W6JFL, would like to get a training officer to help schedule training sessions after meetings. If you have some electronics/RF experience or know anyone who does, let Joe know in the December meeting. In the past, before COVID, training sessions would be scheduled over different topics to learn. Topics range from coax assembly to how to get on WinLink.

Joe, W6JFL, proposed hosting the February Chili Dinner at Base 1. Martin, KD0TMJ, suggested having the event after the February meeting. Updates to this event are as follows:

- Martin, KD0TMJ, motioned to move back the date into March. This proposal was 2nd by Al, N9MAF, the motion carried by the membership.
- Martin will also be sending out a survey to members, so watch your email.

On January 5, 2025, Don, KD0HHN, activated ARES due to the expected severity of an incoming winter system. From 0800 to 2310 UTC, the net was active on the 625 repeater. As a reminder, only transmit when conveying weather-related information. During times of expected severe weather, always listen before transmitting, as an active net may be underway. This also would be a good reminder about some upcoming Storm Spotter classes. See below for the mention of the previous month.

- Storm Spotter classes are coming up this late winter into spring. Go to https://www.weather.gov/skywarn/ to find the schedule. They can be taken online or in a classroom setting. If you missed or did not receive Don's (KD0HHN) email, see a small copy of it below:
- "NWS St. Louis has announced their storm spotter schedule for the upcoming year. There are 2 online classes, they are January 30th from 7-8:30 pm and April 22 also from 7 8:30 pm. To register for one of them go to www.weather.gov/lsx/, the page for NWS St. Louis. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on "storm spotter talks" and that will take you to the schedule page, then click on virtual class and that will take you to the link to register. If you want to take one in person, the closest classes to us are Feb

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11, 2025 at the South Shelby Elementary school in Shelbina from 6:30 to 8:30 or Feb 25, 2025 in Baylis Illinois at the John Wood Community College Ag Building, same time. There are classes to the south of us. When you are on the page for the classes, there is a map for in person classes."

Also, there is still time to register for additional training. Reference previous month's mention:

- Don, KD0HHN, gave some updates about CERT (Citizen Emergency Response Team) training and when to possibly expect classes to be scheduled. He is waiting to meet with the County Commissioners and hopes to begin classes in the spring of 2025. There will also be a CERT-sponsored course coming on March 21 and 22nd. If interested, you can get in touch with Don through the club. To take this course, you will need to sign up for it through www.sematraining.com, and then you will also have to register through www.teex.org. In addition, a FEMA SID number will be required as well; however, if you have ever taken any FEMA self-study courses, you will already have this ID.
- Another area of training the Don has been working to implement is the NTS (National Traffic System). This network allows people to send and receive messages worldwide, even in grid-down situations, for various communications needs from coast to coast. Training is tentatively set for the spring of 2025. But you don't have to wait for training to hear what an NTS net sounds like. You can find them daily on 3963 KHz every night at 5:30 PM, the Missouri Traffic Net, and on the 75m interstate sideband net on 3985 KHz (usually around 7 or 8 pm). The Missouri Emergency Services net is on 7263 KHz every Sunday at 2 pm.

New Business:

While still early, Field Day will be in June from 6/28 to 6/29. Hannibal has been invited to participate with the Quincy club.

Announcements:

ARES Net Control operators

1/6 - Jody, KE0OAA

1/13 - Al, N9MAF

1/20 – Joe, W6JFL

1/27 – Allan, K9AJC

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Breakfast will be at the Silver Anchor in New London, MO, at 8 a.m. Monitor the 625 repeater for directions, or give a shout-out.

<u>50/50:</u>

50/50 was won by Jeremy, KF0OOF, congratulations Jeremy!

Adjournment:

Motion by Al, N9MAF, 2nd by Don, KD0HHN.

Carried by members.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK BY JOE LAULETTA, W6JFL



Greetings, Members!

Man, could I talk about the weather. Yes, I could. But I'm not going to. With the exception of Larry and Ann, you're all living it, same as me. "Been better, been worse." Humbug.

WinterHeat stats are coming out this month, our very own VP, Al N9MAF in the top tier again, and our club stats doing well, also.

Chili dinner coming up, decisions on venue and format forthcoming. Watch your email. A hearty welcome to all our new members! Don KF0SWP, Kyle KF0RVZ, Robert KF0IHM (returning member), Michele KF0SXC, Michelle KF0STM, Jeremy KF0OOF, and Randy KF0SWQ. I have heard some of you on the Monday night ARES net, would love to hear the rest of you!

It's cold outside, stay inside and play radio! 73,

-Joe

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DX Bulletin 3 ARLD003

From ARRL Headquarters

Newington CT January 16, 2025

To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD003 ARLD003 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by The Daily DX, 425 DX News, DXNL, OPDX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SINGAPORE, 9V. Olafur, TF1OL is QRV as 9V1OL until January 20. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using some SSB, with FT8, and FT4. QSL via LoTW.

THE GAMBIA, C5. Przemo, SP3PS is QRV as C5SP until mid-March. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using SSB and FT8. QSL to home call.

MADEIRA ISLAND, CT3. A group of operators are QRV as CR3A until January 21. Activity is on the HF bands. They will be QRV as CR3HA in the HA DX HF contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

ANTARCTICA. Felix, DL5XL is QRV as DP1POL from the German research station Neumayer III, IOTA AN-016, until February 25. Activity is in his spare time on the HF bands using mostly CW with some SSB and various digital modes. QSL via DL1ZBO.

MARQUESAS ISLANDS, FO. A group of operators are QRV as TX7N on the HF bands, and TX7MAS on 70 centimeter Satellites and 23 centimeter EME. They will

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also be active as TX100REF in the upcoming CQ World Wide 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via LoTW.

ENGLAND, G. Special event station GB70RS is QRV to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Radio Society of Great Britain's weekly news service, GB2RS, which has been running continuously since September 25, 1955. QSL via bureau.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HI. Special event callsign HI59UD is active until January 25 to celebrate the 59th anniversary of the Union Dominicana de Radioaficionados, the second oldest amateur radio club in the Dominican Republic. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB and various digital modes. QSL via LoTW.

ARUBA, P4. Mathias, DL4MM is QRV as P40AA until January 28. Activity is on the HF bands. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide 160 Meter CW contest. QSL to home call.

GUATEMALA, TG. Dwight, VE7BV is QRV as TG9BBV until January 28. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL to home call.

CAMEROON, TJ. Thierry, TK1CX is QRV as TJ/TK1CX until the end of February 2025. Activity is in his spare time on 20 to 10 meters using mostly FT8 and low power. QSL via EA5ZD.

BENIN, TY. Gerard, F5NVF is QRV as TY5C from Godomey until April 2. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, and FT8. QSL via F5RAV and LoTW.

TURKS AND CAICOS, VP5. Gerhard, OE3GEA will be QRV as VP5/OE3GEA from Providenciales Island, IOTA NA-002, from January 23 to 26. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Denney, VU2DGR is QRV with special callsign AT44I from the Bharati Research Station at Larsemann Hills to commemorate the 44th Indian Scientific Expedition to the southern continent. QSL to home call.

SOUTH SUDAN, Z8. Ken, K4ZW will be QRV as Z81Z from January 20 to 24. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and some SSB. QSL to home call.

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ST. HELENA ISLAND, ZD7. Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be QRV as ZD7DPX from January 21 to February 3. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB and FT8. QSL via IK2DUW.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. ARRL January VHF Contest, North American SSB QSO Party, NCCC FT4 Sprint, Weekly RTTY Test, QRP 80-Meter CW Fox Hunt, NCCC CW Sprint, K1USN Slow Speed CW Test, Malaysia DX SSB Contest, Hungarian DX Contest, PRO Digi Contest, RSGB AFS SSB Contest, NA Collegiate SSB Championship and the Feld Hell Sprint are all scheduled for this upcoming weekend.

Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest, K1USN Slow Speed CW Test, ICWC Medium Speed CW Test, OK1WC Memorial, RSGB FT4 Contest, Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, SKCC CW Sprint, QRP 40-Meter CW Fox Hunt, Phone Weekly Test, A1Club AWT, CWops Test, Mini-Test 40 CW and the Mini-Test 80 CW are on tap for January 20 to 22.

Please see January 2025 QST, page 77, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest websites for details.

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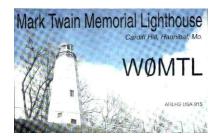
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